

WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT OF 1969 (EXCERPT)
Act 317 of 1969

418.205 Powers and duties of director.

Sec. 205. The director shall devote his or her entire time to and personally perform the duties of his or her office and shall engage in no other business or professional activity. He or she may make rules not inconsistent with this act for carrying out the provisions of the act in accordance with Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. He or she shall appoint such assistants and employees as may be necessary, who shall be entitled to necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of official duties subject to the standardized travel regulations of the state, and such compensation as shall be determined in accordance with civil service rules where applicable. He or she shall appoint an assistant who shall have charge of the Detroit office of the bureau. He or she shall have general supervisory control of the bureau and all officers and employees thereunder. He or she shall have charge of the assignment of the work of the bureau to the assistants, hearing referees, and employees. He or she shall have charge of the docketing and progress of contested cases including the power to order a hearing referee to dismiss without prejudice for lack of progress in the absence of good cause shown, in accordance with rules and procedures established for effecting these purposes. However, cases involving a carrier terminating the payment of benefits which had been paid voluntarily and cases involving a petition to stop or reduce compensation shall take precedence over other cases and a hearing thereon shall be held within 60 days. The director is authorized to provide assistance to employers and employees in the resolution of small disputes. He or she shall have general charge of all administrative functions of the bureau and may delegate such duties, the performance of such administrative functions, and the authority incident thereto.

History: 1969, Act 317, Eff. Dec. 31, 1969;—Am. 1980, Act 357, Eff. Jan. 1, 1981;—Am. 1985, Act 103, Imd. Eff. July 30, 1985.

Compiler's note: For legislative intent as to severability, see Compiler's note to MCL 418.213.

For creation of the workers' compensation agency as type II agency within the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011.

For transfer of powers and duties of the bureau of worker's compensation and of its director, to the bureau of worker's compensation, and its director, under MCL 445.2004, to the workers' compensation agency, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011.

Popular name: Act 317

Administrative rules: R 408.31 et seq.; R 408.43i; R 408.43s; R 418.10101 et seq.; and R 418.10104 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.